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INTIMATIONS

STEAMSHIP

"GLENAVON"

Donaldson, will be despatched as above
TO-DAY, the 11th instants.
Passenger has superior Cabin Accommoda-
tion, carries a Doctor and Stowaways.
Freight of Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
[139]
PENANG, 1884.

NOTIFICATION OF DEPARTURE.

FROM M TO BOMBAY VIA STRAITS.
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"ZAMBESI"

will call at the above places TO-MORROW
instants, at THREE P.M., instead of as
advertised.

A. MOIVER,
Superintendent.
[143]
January, 1884.

ITS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,
at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND
and taking through Cargo to ADE-
LIDE, NEW ZEALAND, and TASMA-
NIAN PORTS, NEW CALEDONIA,
(and FIJI).
Steamship

Thom, will be despatched as above
DAY, the 13th instant, at DAYLIGHT,
as previously advertised.
Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
General Managers.
January, 1884. [144]

**CHINA AND MANILA STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**

"DIAMANTE,"
Cullen, will be despatched for the
port on MONDAY, the 14th instant at

Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
General Managers,
January, 1884. [142]

GLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LONDON.

WATOW, AMOY, TAMSUI, AND
TAIWANFOO.
Company's Steamship
"FUKIEN"
Westoby will be despatched for the
ports, on TUESDAY, the 15th instant
NIGHT.

DOUGLAS LAPRAKE & Co.,
General Managers.
January, 1884. [140]

TO YOKOHAMA VIA NAGASAKI
AND HIOGO.

"KHIYA,"
for the above place on THURSDAY
A. McIVER,
Superintendent.
January 1884.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
"ASSAM;"
Leave for the above place about 24 hours
after arrival with the next English mail.

January, 1884.

SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, AND
ADELAIDE.

at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND
and taking through Cango to New

AND FIJI.)
Eastern and Australian Steamship
Company's Steamer
"TANNADICE,"
S. G. Green, will be despatched as above
about TUESDAY, the 12th February.

Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

NOTICE.

The Undersigned will NOT be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTS contracted by a MAN who goes by the Name of JOHN

GEORGE HERBERT DENNIS, B.A. (1926),
late Master of S. S. *Peking*. [137]
January, 1984.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY
HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF
SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be
at the Office of the Company, No. 52,
Rue de la Harpe, on TUESDAY, the 29th January,
at THREE O'CLOCK in the afternoon.

TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
CLOSED from the 16th to the 29th
inclusive.

h January, 1884. Secretary. 129

The Commission appointed to enquire into certain charges of corruption which have been publicly made against the Officers Public Works Department has commenced its sittings, and all persons who have information to give upon the subject matter

Secretary. All such communications if
it will be considered confidential,
ARTHUR K. TRAVERS,
Secretary.
Chamber,
January, 1884. [92

NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE
COMPANY.

DIVIDENDS for the year 1882, viz.
Tails 11.33 per Share, and 5 %, on Share-
holders' Contributions, are now declared. War-
rents will be payable at the Hongkong and

DAY, the 15th January, 1884.
Transfer Books of the Company will be
from the 1st to the 15th January.
vo.
Order of the Court of Directors,
J. KENNARD DAVIS,
Secretary.

General, 31st December, 1930. (22)

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The Indo-China steamer *Taiyung* left Singapore on the 2nd, and is due here on or about the 11th inst.

The Ben Lue steamer *Bundel* left Singapore on the 4th, and is due here on or about the 11th January.

The N. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Columbia* left Batavia on the 1st, and is due here on or about the 12th inst.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Glycys* left Singapore on the evening of the 5th, and is due here on or about the 13th January.

The A., C., J., and Straits steamship *Durbin*, expected Sydney on the 18th December, and may be expected here on or about the 17th January.

POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

The authorised List of Mails issued in connection with this paper is the one published twice weekly each day in *Extra*, which is always incorporated to a much later hour than that given below.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE
For Straits and Bombay—*Poor Zambani*, to-morrow, the 12th January, at 2.30 P.M.

MAILS BY THE U. S. PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *Arctica* will sail on SATURDAY, the 22nd January, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, United States, Canada, Honolulu, Portico, which will be closed as follows—
At 12.15 P.M. Register closes.
At 1.0 P.M. Post Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet *Asia* will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 15th January, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond; via Naples; to Genoa, Leghorn, Brindisi, Trieste, Lyons, Paris, Cologne, Berlin, Vienna, Constantinople, Athens, Egypt, Malta, Gibraltar, Natal, and the Cape.
The mail hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.

The British Contract Packet *Nydman* will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 22nd January, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond; via Naples; to Genoa, Leghorn, Brindisi, Trieste, Lyons, Paris, Cologne, Berlin, Vienna, Constantinople, Athens, Egypt, Malta, Gibraltar, Natal, and the Cape.
This Packet carries no mails for the Colonies.
The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

HOURS FOR CLOSING THE CONTRACT PACKETS.

THE FREIGHT MAIL.
Day before Departure.
P.M., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes at 11 a.m. for private matter and postage cases.
A.M., Mail closes, except for Late Letters.
1.10 A.M., Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 10 cents until
1.40 A.M., when the Post Office closes entirely.
1.40 A.M., Late Letters may be posted on board the packet with Late Fee of 10 Cents until the time of departure.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.
The following hours are observed in closing the Mails, &c., by the British Contract Packet :—
Day of Departure.
9.00 A.M.—Money Order Office closes.
10.00 P.M.—Register of Letters closes. Posting of fine of all private matter and postage cases.
11.00 P.M.—Mails closed, except for Late Letters.
1.10 A.M.—Letters may be posted with late fee of 10 cents until
3.00 P.M.—when the Post Office closes entirely.
In the packets the late fee of 10 cents, until the time of departure.

To provide means of remitting small sums of money to or from this Colony and between the several Offices in China, India, and Japan, the following rates are allowed, but not repaid to this Office are allowed (but not repaid to the purchaser Hongkong Postage Stamps from foreign residents.)

The Stamps tendered for sale must not exceed £50 in value, must be perfectly clean, in good condition, and in strips of at least two, and separate Stamps will be purchased. They must be presented personally or accompanied by a note.

Letters containing stamps should be registered, and the Stamps should be secured from loss or misappropriation.

TEA MUSTERS.
Persons who send Musters of Tea through the Post in Tins are requested to have them stamped first or secure instead of round, as it is impossible to require the tins for which the duty is levied to be so stamped.

It is believed that the tea will travel more safely in flat tins, which are not so liable to run ones to be bulged in.

4 1/2 M. 14 fathoms is suggested as a good depth. The ship should not have sharp corners.

LOCAL AND INDIAN PARCEL POST.
1.—Small Parcels may be sent by Post at Post-offices between Hongkong and any of the British principal Offices in China, India, or Japan; Yocco, Madras, Calcutta, the Straits Settlements, Rangoon, Amoy, Canton, and other ports, provided they do not exceed the following dimensions, viz.:—one flat box, 1 foot broad, 1 foot deep, weight more or less, but he smaller than 3 in. by 2 in. by 1 in. Such parcels may be wholly closed if they are in this special endorsement, Parcel, containing no letter, but unopened may be opened by three members of the Postmaster General.—In the case of letters, the enclosed declaration of contents and value is required, and a portion for which the parcel is paid gratis. The Registration of Parcels in India and Ceylon is compulsory.

No responsibility can be accepted by the Post Office for articles exposed to theft, robbery, or fire, or for losses arising from such causes. It is recommended to insured parties to insure their goods against such risks.

LETTERS TO THE UNITED STATES BY RAILED SHIP.
When it is desired to forward letters to the United States by a sailing ship which is not loaded as carrying a mail, it is only necessary to attach to the letters in the ordinary way, marked at the bottom of the ship, and prepaid 10 cents per letter, a small envelope for which the Post Office undertakes the duty of obtaining notice of departure and despatching the correspondence. If requested that the letters be posted if possible at least one day before the date fixed for sailing.

SOLDIERS' AND NAVAL OFFICERS' LETTERS.
1.—Privates in H.M. Army or Navy, Non-commissioned Officers' Bandmasters Army Bandmasters (not Superintendent or First Sergeant) Writers or Schoolmasters may send up to 100 copies of printed matter, and up to 100 copies of the rate of four cents (twopence each), which may be prepaid either in Imperial or in Indian currency.—By private steamer the rate is 6 cents (three pence), which is also payable in general rate of Postage on Soldiers' and Sailors' letters sent elsewhere.

2.—The same privileges apply to letters addressed to Soldiers and Non-commissioned officers and others abroad.

3.—Private steamers leave Hongkong for the United Kingdom every ten days.

4.—Letters must not exceed half an ounce, and must be handed over in envelopes, which can be sent up with the ends open.

5.—If from a Soldier or Sailor his class and rank must be stated in full on the letter, and the name of the ship, as signed by the Commanding Officer with name of regiment, ship, &c., must be stated in full.

6.—Soldiers and Sailors have no privileged rates regarding books or papers, nor can those be received with Imperial Stamps.

